

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Mr. Norris presents a petition from Thomas Chenoworth; referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Howard presents a memorial from the devisees of the late James Calhoun, on the subject of the inspection of tobacco; referred to the committee on the petition of Samuel R. Smith.

The speaker laid before the house a report from the agent for the western shore, made in compliance with an order of this house.

Mr. Eccleston reports a bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act therein mentioned.

Mr. Tyson reports a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to justices of the peace in the city of Baltimore.

On motion by Mr. Teackie, the following orders were read and assented to:

1. Ordered, That the committee of ways and means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of abolishing the present system of lotteries, and of substituting the contract system, as pursued in the state of New York.

2. Ordered, That the said committee be further instructed to inquire into the expediency of adopting the patent plan of lottery, as adopted and used in the state of New-York.

3. Ordered, That the said committee be further instructed to inquire into the expediency of incorporating a company of lottery contractors for a limited time; and that they report to this house upon the several subjects referred to them by the preceding orders.

Mr. Barnes reports a bill, entitled, An act to enable purchasers more speedily to obtain the possession of lands and premises sold by sheriffs in this state.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, An act to enable Simon Fraser, of Prince George's county, to purchase and hold real property within this state, endorsed "will pass;" which was read.

Mr. Gough reports a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the levy court of Saint-Mary's county to levy a sum of money on said county for purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. John Edelen, presents a petition from sundry citizens of Charles county, praying the time of holding their court may be changed; referred to Messrs J. Edelen, Rogerson and Garner.

Mr. Barnes obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the orphans courts of this state to order the sale of real estates in certain cases. Ordered, That Messrs. Barnes, Cromwell and Kemp, report the same.

The bill to afford relief to the bona fide holders of negotiable securities, without notice that they were given for a usurious consideration, was read the second time.

Mr. Kilgour moved to refer the same to the 1st of June? Determined in the negative.

The question was then put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative.

The house, according to the order of the day, proceeded to the second reading of the supplement to the act, entitled, An act respecting writs of inquiry.

On motion by Mr. Tingle, the question was put, That the same be recommitted? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Speed reports a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Jeremiah Townley Chase. Ordered, That the same have a second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Willson reports a bill, entitled, An act to lay a tax on billiard tables.

The act supplementary to the act, entitled, An act relating to the treasurers of the state on the eastern and western shore, the clerks of the court of appeals, the clerks of the several county courts, the clerk of the city court of Baltimore, &c. was read the second time and passed.

The bill to repeal an act therein mentioned, was read the second time by special order.

On motion by Mr. M. Mahon, the same was recommitted.

Mr. Millard delivers the following report:

The committee on divorces have had the petition of Margaret Wiest, of Frederick county, under consideration, and are of opinion that her case does not require legislative interposition; they therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw her petition.

Which was read.

The house adjourns until Monday morning 9 o'clock.

MONDAY, January 17, 1825.

The house met. Present the same members as on Saturday. The proceedings of Saturday were read. On motion by Mr. Wilson, Ordered, That the petition of Daniel Collins be referred to Messrs. Wilson, Linsdale and Lee.

The message of Saturday by Mr. John Edelen, and the act supplementary to the act, entitled, An act relating to the treasurers of the state on the eastern and western shores, the clerks of the courts of appeals, &c. were sent to the senate.

Mr. Carroll presents a petition from Coney Rigby, praying support, and Elizabeth Wayson, praying support for an orphan child under her care; referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Peach presents a petition from Caesar Peterson, of Prince-George's county, praying the state may relinquish its interest to him in a house and lot; referred to Messrs. Peach, Worthington and Duvall.

The bill for the revaluation of the real and personal property in Prince George's county; the bill to enable Simon Fraser, of Prince George's county, to purchase and hold real property within this state; the bill to authorise the levy court of Baltimore county to assess and levy on the assessable property of said county, a sum of money to build a bridge over the Great Falls of Gun powder, on the road leading from the town of Manchester, in said county, by John Schauk's mill, to Pennsylvania; the bill for the relief of John Ritchie, of Prince-George's county; and the supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate the trustees of the Westminster General Meeting-House in Frederick county, were read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from the treasurer of the western shore, in compliance with an order of this house of the 14th inst. referred to the committee of ways and means.

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